



SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Allendale School District

Grades: PK-12

Enrollment: 1,637

Superintendent: Dr. Ora Lee Watson

Board Chair: Alonzo Fraizer

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	At-Risk	Below Average	N/A	Not Met	CA
2007	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	CA
2006	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	CA

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	1	7	9

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Districts with Students like Ours are Districts with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

PACT

PACT	2008 Reading % Basic and above	2008 Math % Basic and above	2008 Science % Basic and above	2008 Social Studies % Basic and above
District	50.6%	45.0%	27.3%	32.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	59.6%	57.9%	43.8%	51.4%
Average District	76.0%	76.0%	67.4%	71.3%

PACT	2008 Reading % Proficient & Advanced	2008 Math % Proficient & Advanced	2008 Science % Proficient & Advanced	2008 Social Studies % Proficient & Advanced
District	10.4%	7.6%	6.8%	5.5%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	20.0%	16.4%	15.0%	15.7%
Average District	37.6%	35.1%	36.4%	34.7%

HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtests (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	56.6%	14.1%	29.3%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	70.3%	15.2%	14.5%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2008 (%)

District	86.3%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	89.1%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	30.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	44.7%

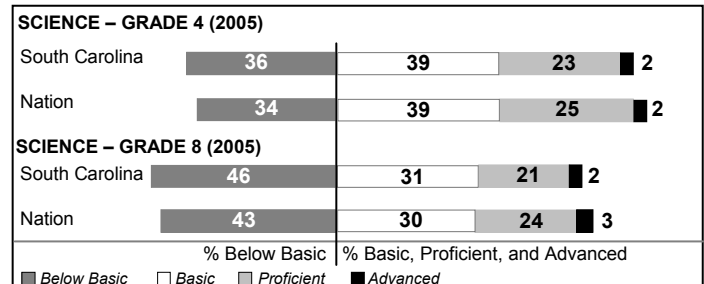
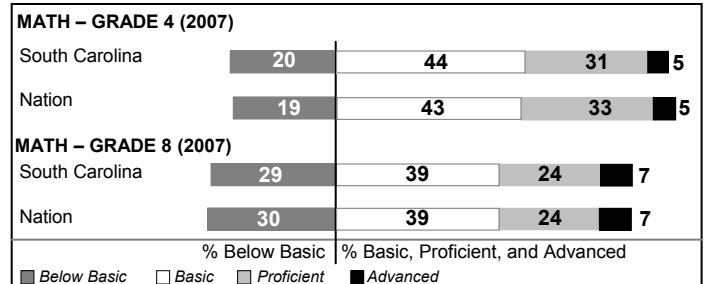
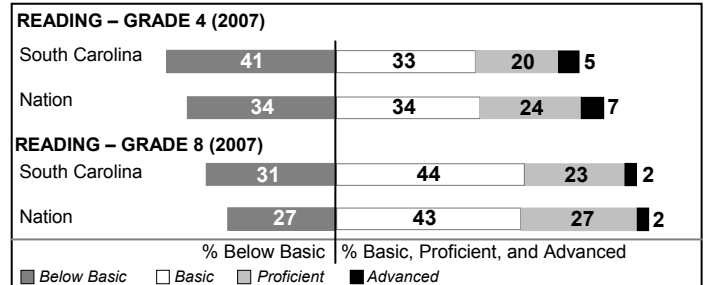
On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	64.4%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	74.3%

** Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

NAEP*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

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DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n=1,637)				
Retention rate	4.7%	Down from 7.1%	5.0%	4.0%
Attendance rate	94.4%	Up from 94.2%	95.3%	95.6%
Eligible for gifted and talented	0.4%	Down from 0.5%	6.4%	11.4%
With disabilities other than speech	8.7%	Down from 8.8%	11.9%	10.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	1.0%	Down from 2.4%	1.2%	0.8%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	28.2%	Up from 24.5%	5.4%	10.3%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	16.6%	56.0%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	26.3%	Down from 35.7%	25.0%	31.1%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	18	Down from 63	26	48
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	15	Down from 62	11	27
Annual dropout rate	0.9%	Down from 7.6%	3.8%	3.8%
Teachers (n=123)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	43.1%	Up from 42.0%	52.9%	54.8%
Continuing contract teachers	56.1%	Up from 55.0%	57.5%	73.9%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	20.9%	Down from 28.8%	14.3%	5.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	75.0%	Up from 72.5%	83.8%	88.8%
Teacher attendance rate	94.0%	No Change	94.5%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$38,199	Down 1.5%	\$42,079	\$45,107
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	8.1%	Down from 9.2%	1.3%	0.5%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	10.5%	Up from 3.5%	5.3%	2.5%
District				
Superintendent's years at district	0.5	No Change	2.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.0 to 1	Up from 17.2 to 1	18.7 to 1	20.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	85.9%	Up from 85.7%	87.8%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$12,283	Up 2.7%	\$9,939	\$8,666
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	43.7%	Down from 44.7%	47.7%	53.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	46.5%	Down from 49.4%	51.8%	56.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Excellent
Number of schools	4	No Change	4	9
Portable classrooms	0.7%	Down from 1.7%	6.1%	4.3%
Average age in years of school facilities	41 Years	No Change	31 Years	26 Years
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	3.0	Up from 1.0	4.0	8.0
Average administrator salary	\$63,762	Down 2.7%	\$71,864	\$76,032
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	52.9%		57.1%	69.7%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
There are no charter schools in this district.			

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

Allendale County School administrators, teachers, and staff are working hard to raise student achievement at all levels in order to meet the district and the state's 2010 educational goals. The district's Strategic Plan supports student achievement by utilizing MAP test preparation, Tetradata, OnCourse, Plato, and eIGP support. We are committed to ensuring that each child receives a quality education by increasing parent and community involvement, developing positive school and classroom environments, and enhancing school safety.

At Fairfax Elementary School, several of our 1st grade students are reading at the 3rd grade level. Allendale Elementary is a Red Carpet School, and students there made gains in Social Studies on PACT. The school also received the 21st Century Afterschool Grant. Several Allendale-Fairfax Middle School students were identified as Junior Scholars, and the school was represented at the National Youth Leaders Conference in Spartanburg, SC. Several students also attended the SC Governors School of Arts and Humanities. Allendale-Fairfax High School Debate Team, Beta Club, ROTC, Girls Volleyball Team, Varsity Basketball, and Varsity Football Teams all performed well this year.

The district is committed to ensuring that each child is prepared for college or the workforce. When students enter the classroom on the 1st day of school, a certified teacher must be in the classroom. The District has established a curriculum that promotes achievement, using data to support and determine instructional decisions.

We thank our teachers, staff, parents, business partners, and community members for their continued support as we move forward to improve student achievement in Allendale County Schools.

We look to the future, learning from the past.

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Superintendent

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